

COMMISSION FOR TEACHER PREPARATION AND LICENSING

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TO: Deans of Education, County and District Superintendents of Schools,
Educational Organizations, and Other Interested Persons

FROM: Peter L. LoPresti, Executive Secretary *PLP*

SUBJECT: Reissuance of Pre-Ryan Credentials Under Certain Conditions

A very important resolution was adopted by the Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing on May 6, 1977, relating to the reissuance of certain pre-Ryan credentials. A copy of the resolution is attached for your consideration, along with related forms which have been developed to help disseminate information and establish procedures.

Hopefully, the options now possible with the adoption of the resolution may ease some staffing problems and save many teachers and other certificated employees a great deal of frustration, cost and time. The options effect individuals in four general situations. An example of an individual in each of the four general situations and the consequence of the resolution on that individual follows.

Example 1: The person earned a clear pre-Ryan credential which required professional preparation and allowed the credential to lapse.
Consequence of Resolution - The lapsed credential shall, upon direct application, be reissued starting from the date of expiration of the lapsed credential.

Example 2: The person earned a valid pre-Ryan credential issued on the basis of partial fulfillment or postponement of requirements.
Consequence of Resolution - The credential shall continue to be renewed if all renewal requirements are met and a renewal application is made before the expiration date.

Example 3: The person earned a valid pre-Ryan credential issued on the basis of partial fulfillment or postponement of requirements and permitted the credential to lapse.
Consequence of Resolution - Credential may be reissued if individual completed renewal requirements before the expiration date and whose credential lapsed while they were employed in a position requiring the credential.

Example 4: The person completed all requirements for a clear pre-Ryan credential through an approved program of a California teacher preparation institution prior to September 15, 1974, but did not apply for the credential.
Consequence of Resolution - The appropriate credential may be issued upon application and recommendation by the chief administrative officer for education of the preparing institution.

Applicants who believe they may be eligible for reissue under the terms of the resolution should apply for the credential. Applicants may be able to determine for themselves the amount of the total fee by reference to the attached fee schedule and the number of renewals required to bring the credential up-to-date. If the correct prior fees are not included, a statement of the required fees will be sent to the applicant. Those whose credentials carried renewal requirements must present full transcripts to substantiate the fact that renewal requirements were completed in a timely manner.

Attachment

COMMISSION FOR TEACHER PREPARATION AND LICENSING
Resolution Concerning
Reissuance of Pre-Ryan Credentials
May 6, 1977

WHEREAS the Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing desires to provide licensing regulations which are flexible, realistic and responsive to the needs of the schools of the State, and

WHEREAS Section II of the Education Code requires a liberal construction of its provisions and all proceedings under it with a view to effect its objects and promote justice, and

WHEREAS both the Legislature and the Commission declared their intent to assist qualified persons to obtain appropriate credentials to the end that no person shall be adversely affected by the provisions of the Ryan Act, and

WHEREAS there is no provision for reissuance of pre-Ryan credentials which are not renewed before their expiration; Therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing declares as policy that clear, pre-Ryan credentials which required professional preparation may be reissued if they are allowed to lapse, and be it further

RESOLVED, That such lapsed credentials shall be reissued starting from the date of expiration of the lapsed credential with the understanding that any applications to reissued lapsed credentials that are received after January 1, 1978 may be subject to penalty; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing declares as policy that valid pre-Ryan credentials issued on the basis of partial fulfillment or postponement of requirements shall continue to be renewed if all renewal requirements are met and a renewal application is made before their expiration dates, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing declares as policy that pre-Ryan credentials issued on the basis of partial fulfillment or postponement of requirements and which are permitted to lapse may be reissued to applicants who had completed renewal requirements before the expiration date and whose credential lapsed while they were employed in a position requiring the credential; and be it further

RESOLVED, That persons who had completed all requirements for clear pre-Ryan credentials through an approved program of a California teacher preparation institution by September 15, 1974 may be issued the appropriate credential upon application and recommendation by the chief administrative officer for education of the preparing institution.